BEFORE THE

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON. D. C.

ORDER NO. 215

Served November 2, 1962

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of the Washington)	
Virginia and Maryland Coach)	Application No. 20
Company, Inc., for a Certificate	,)	Docket No. 17
of Public Convenience and Necessity)	

APPEARANCES:

Manuel J. Davis, attorney for the applicant.

John R. Sims, Jr. and Harold Smith, attorneys for D. C. Transit System, Inc., protestant.

On August 16, 1962, the Commission issued Order No. 185 granting, in part, the application of the Washington, Virginia and Maryland Coach Company, Inc., for a certificate of public convenience and necessity, and in other respects denying said application. A petition for reconsideration of said order was filed by applicant and granted by the Commission. In granting the petition for reconsideration, the Commission ordered a further hearing before the full Commission, which hearing was held on October 19, 1962. At the hearing, the applicant adduced further testimony from Mr. Moss, Chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, and Mr. William W. Wheeler, Vice President and General Manager of applicant.

From the evidence produced at this additional hearing it appears that in the immediate future it is possible to anticipate a tremendous commercial and industrial development along Interstate Highway 495, particularily in the Tyson's Corner area; that this area will serve as a business, shopper and employment center for a larger area, including portions of Montgomery County, Maryland; that adequate bus transportation will be needed to aid the growth of this area as well as serve the area when it reaches its expected potential. While the Commission, in an order entered this date, is authorizing a Maryland Transit Company to transport passengers from Maryland to the Central Intelligence Agency in McLean, Virginia, the Commission feels that the applicant should be granted the requisite authority to conduct operations from and along Interstate Highway 495 to a point in Montgomery County where it can tie in with existing transportation facilities in that County. In view of this additional evidence the Commission

finds that the public convenience and necessity will require that this need be satisfied. The Commission further finds that as an alternative the applicant should be authorized to transport passengers between Montgomery County, Maryland and the Central Intelligence Agency over Virginia Highway 193.

The Commission is of the further opinion that Order No. 185 and the authority granted therein should be amended to authorize the applicant to provide regular route service over Interstate Highway 495, between the junction of Interstate Highway 495 and the George Washington Memorial Parkway and the junction of Interstate Highway 495 and Maryland Highway 190 (River Road), and, in serving the Central Intelligence Agency from Montgomery County, an alternate route over Virginia Highway 193. In order to protect the rights of the Maryland Carrier, the authority granted should restrict applicant from conducting transportation in charter and special operations in Montgomery County, Maryland.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED

1. That Order No. 185 be, and it is hereby, amended, and Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 4-A be changed accordingly to read as follows:

REGULAR ROUTE CARRIER OPERATION:

Passengers, and their baggage, and express, mail and newspaper in the same vehicle, in interstate commerce,

- 1. Over Interstate Highway 495, between the junction of Virginia State Highway 236 and Interstate Highway 495 and the junction of Maryland Highway 190 and Interstate Highway 495, including all interchange points and access and interchange routes, and serving all intermediate points, except intrastate Maryland.
- 2. Over the George Washington Memorial Parkway, between the junction of the Parkway and Interstate Highway 495 and the junction of the Parkway and the Central Intelligence Agency Access Road, including all interchange points and access and interchange routes, and serving all intermediate points.
- 3. Alternate route for operations between the Central Intelligence Agency and the junction of Interstate Highway 495 and Maryland Highway 190, Maryland: over Virginia Highway 193, between the junction of Interstate Highway 495 and Virginia Highway 193 and the junction of Virginia Highways 123 and 193.

Restricted against the transportation of passengers between Maryland and the District of Columbia via Virginia.

Provided: This authority does not confer the right to originate, and conduct in any manner, charter or special operations in the State of Maryland.

2. That in all other respects, the application be, and it is hereby, denied.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION

DELMER ISON

Executive Director